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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1
TAGS: PLOS
SUBJECT: LOS: PERSIAN GULF AND RED SEA

REF: (A) STATE 73110, (B) MUSCAT 107, (C) 76 KUWAIT 1295.

1. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION WHICH WOULD CONFIRM REPORT (REFTEL)
THAT THE PERSIAN GULF STATES ARE CONSIDERING A CLOSED
SEA CONCEPT FOR THE PERSIAN GULF. IN THE COURSE OF CONTACTS
WITH KUWAITI MFA REGARDING THE NEXT LOS CONFERENCE, HOWEVER,
WE WILL PROBABLY HAVE OCCASION TO DISCUSS FREEDOM OF
NAVIGATION ISSUES WITH AT LEAST ONE OF THE MFA OFFICERS WHO
ATTENDED THE BAGHDAD SESSION OF THE ASIAN-AFRICAN LEGAL
CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE, AND WE WILL MAKE DISCREET INQUIRIES.
IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT THE LONGSTANDING IRANIAN PROPOSAL FOR
INNOCENT PASSAGE IN THE GULF, WHICH IRAQ HAS TRADITIONALLY
OPPOSED, HAS OMANI SUPPORT (REF B), AND AS OF ABOUT A
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YEAR AGO REPORTEDLY WAS SUPPORTED BY KUWAIT AND SOME OTHER
SMALL GULF STATES ON SECURITY GROUNDS (REF C). WHILE
THE SUBSEQUENT AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 1976 LOS CONFERENCE MAY HAVE
LAID TO REST THE ISSUE OF TRANSIT PASSAGE THROUGH STRAIT OF
HORMUZ, IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT SOME GULF STATES WOULD
SUPPORT A PROPOSAL WHICH, IN THEIR VIEW, IMPROVED GULF
SECURITY BY LIMITING ACCESS BY WARSHIPS OF NON-LITTORAL STATES.

2. RECOMMEND THAT USINT BAGHDAD AND EMBASSY TEHRAN ALSO
BE QUERIED ON THIS MATTER.
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